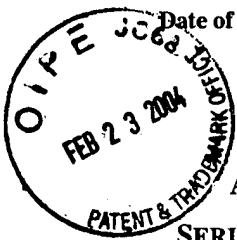


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the 21 August 2003 Final Office Action, and 17 February 2004 Advisory Action in the above-identified application. Check No. 18117 for \$210.00 is enclosed in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2). In addition, a one month extension was filed 22 December 2003. Upon payment of this petition, a total of three months of extensions is provided. With the extension, this response is due on or before Monday, 23 February 2004.

No additional fees are believed due at this time. However, the Commissioner may charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-557 CIP2 (CURA-57 CIP2). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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